



## **SFHA Wildcat Hockey Program**

The Sault Female Hockey Association (SFHA) has created the Wildcat Program to offer House League players the opportunity to enhance their skill development through the establishment of the Wildcat teams.

The Wildcat program will operate in the U11 and U13 House League Divisions made up of House League players selected through tryouts. The program can be extended to U15 and U18 divisions if the minimum criteria of 2 teams of 12 registered players exist.

The Wildcat program coaching selection will open in conjunction with the House League Coaching application process.

The Wildcat teams can only be created under the following conditions:

- Players trying out for the team **MUST** register to the House League program
- There must be a minimum of 2 House League teams with at least 12 players rostered to each team (minimum 11 skaters and 1 goalie)
- There must be a coach available who is not coaching a House League team
- Players selected to the Wildcat team will pay a \$200 fee to SFHA to be registered and rostered to the team.

SFHA will provide 4 ice times per month for the Wildcat team. The team will be responsible for any additional ice time. The Wildcat team cannot exceed 5 extra ice times per month to a maximum of 20 ice times in the season. House league teams will receive 6 hours of SFHA ice monthly.

A maximum team fee for the Wildcat team will be \$600 per player with team expenditures not to exceed \$25,000. All individual team fundraising activities must be pre-approved by the SFHA Executive, following the requirement of the AGCO contract.

Wildcat teams will be allowed to attend up to three (3) DS tournaments in one season, including the season end Brampton Canadettes international tournament. The tournaments selected will not interfere with any SFHA tournaments/showcases or tournaments selected by the House League coaches. The Wildcat coaching staff must notify the ice scheduler no later than October 30<sup>th</sup> of the selected tournaments.

All Wildcat players **MUST** attend all House League practices and games. The House League coaching staff will be responsible to inform the VP House League AND the Director of Development if players fail to adhere to this rule. House League coaches have the right to issue consequences to the Wildcat players who fail to participate in House League ice times and events. These consequences can include loss of play time, and up to suspension.

Any consequences issued by the House League coach, must also be respected by the Wildcats coaching staff. If a player has been issued a consequence from her House League team for failure to participate with the House League team, then she is unable to attend practices or games with the Wildcat team until she has returned to the House League team. Any player repeatedly absent from her House League team, can be removed from the Wildcat team roster following a review by the SFHA Discipline committee.



## **PROCESS AND REQUIREMENTS**

- 1) The Association must offer both Competitive AND House League programs.
- 2) Wildcat teams may be formed in U11, U13, U15 and U18 divisions. The OWHA Intent to Register (ITR) fee is \$25 per team.
- 3) Wildcat teams may only be formed from a registered OWHA House League. All players must be registered within the House League in the same division.
- 4) A player who is registered to a competitive team CANNOT be on a Wildcat team.
- 5) Wildcat teams may only be formed if there are 2 or more teams in the same division with a minimum of 12 players per team.
- 6) Wildcat tryouts may begin after House League registration is complete.
- 7) Wildcat registration may commence after House League registration is complete OWHA. Games may be played once the registration is complete.
- 8) Teams may only play 17 players in a game but may roster up to and including 25 players. Pick up players are not permitted for a Wildcat team.
- 9) A Wildcat team will not be permitted to register as a competitive team.
- 10) ONLY U11, U13, U15, and U18 Wildcat teams may participate in DS divisions of sanctioned tournaments.
- 11) Wildcat teams are permitted to play a maximum of 8 exhibition games against other DS teams and attend a maximum of 3 DS tournaments each season.
- 12) Schedules of exhibition and tournament games MUST be entered on the OWHA online registration system prior to any games being played. All game scores must be entered as soon as they are complete.
- 13) Wildcat teams are not permitted to play in a league, but can play exhibition games against SPW teams if desired.
- 14) Players playing on a Wildcat team must also fully participate on their house league team and in house league tournaments.
- 15) If a Wildcat team is found to be in violation of requirements, the staff will be suspended, and the players will be deemed to be members of the house league only.